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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADVERTISING ADJACENT TO A BEVERAGE  
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Field of the Invention

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The present invention relates to beverage dispensers, and more particularly to methods and apparatuses for advertising adjacent to the beverage dispenser to facilitate advertising revenue from placement of the devices at high visibility, high traffic venues or retail establishments.

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Background of the Invention

The beverage industry spends billions of dollars each year marketing a large assortment of products, including beer, wine, liquor, soft-drinks, water, sports drinks, juices, etc. For beer and soft-drink producers, television advertisements are the cornerstone of the advertising campaigns. Large amounts of time and money are spent creating advertisements that appeal to consumers. These advertisements are often humorous, glamorous, or otherwise appealing and are enjoyed and talked about by viewers worldwide. Producers of such advertisements also spend enormous amounts of money to purchase television air time needed to show the advertisements during key time slots. Beer and soft-drink advertisements are prevalent during televised sporting events and concerts, and target viewers who are likely to attend such events. Beer and soft-drink advertisers also often advertise products in other public venues such as restaurants, bars, festivals, parties, and the like.

Competition for these public venues is fierce among beverage producers, each wanting their product to be the only product available to the public in a given venue. In addition to simply selling their beverage product to the consumers at these venues, producers also recognize that the venues provide a good atmosphere for marketing their product. Based on the type of event being held at the venue, the producers know which demographic groups of consumers will